

Locum Orientation Checklist

The following locum orientation checklist is meant as a guide and not an exhaustive list of all items associated with preparing for and orientating a locum physician.

Prior to the Locum Physician's Arrival	Additional Comments
Share the Richmond Division's Welcome Handbook with	
the locum	
Confirm locum time of arrival and communicate with	
colleagues and staff	
Determine who will perform the orientation	
Determine who will be the primary contact person	
Make an effort to ensure that your locum will be busy while	
you are gone	
Inform office staff to ensure that locums are incorporated	
into daily flow, groups, daysheets etc.	
Contracts and Payment Forms	·
Sign contract and complete Schedule A	
Complete the Provincial Locum Assignment of Payment	
Form and fax to MSP	
Introductions	
Physician colleagues and staff	
General Site Orientation	
Building access requirements, including keys, photo ID or	
internal and external security systems	
Building and amenities (staff room, toilets, etc.)	
Sample cupboard and in-office emergency kit	
Office Protocols	
Clinic hours, including breaks and lunch	
Billing process	
Payroll procedures	
Dress code	
Emergency procedures	
Practice Policies and Procedures	·
Inbox/outbox for paperwork	
Storage and availability of procedural equipment e.g.	
needles, vaccines, bandages/minor wound materials, liquid	
nitrogen, suture removal kits, PAP, IUDs, mole removals,	
etc.	
Process for ordering labs, including timeframes for returned	
results	
Infection control procedures	
Hazardous waste material procedures	
Patient booking procedure e.g. patients/hr, time allotted	
for regular visits/CPX/PAP, same day appointments	



Patient records	
Hardware/Software Orientation	
Office equipment	
Computer hardware, including user IDs and passwords	
Wireless, including user IDs and passwords	
Printers and copiers, including keycode access	
Email, including user IDs and passwords	
EMR, complete with login, password and appropriate	
permissions/rights (such as access to labs) and training	
(referral processes, Rx fills, chart notes, etc.)	
Contact(s) for technical assistance	
Useful websites or point-of-care tools	
Fax and phone system	
Dictation system	
Paging system	
Special Needs Patients	
List of special needs/vulnerable patients with list of pending	
results and recommendations for management	
Work Outside of Office Hours	
List of usual visitation days for residential care	
On call requirements	
List of patients who may require house calls	
Contact Information	
Physician colleagues and staff (incl. roles)	
List of healthcare facilities	
List of preferred specialists	
List of preferred pharmacists	
List of preferred allied health care providers	
Call group members, along with their contact information	
and handover policies	